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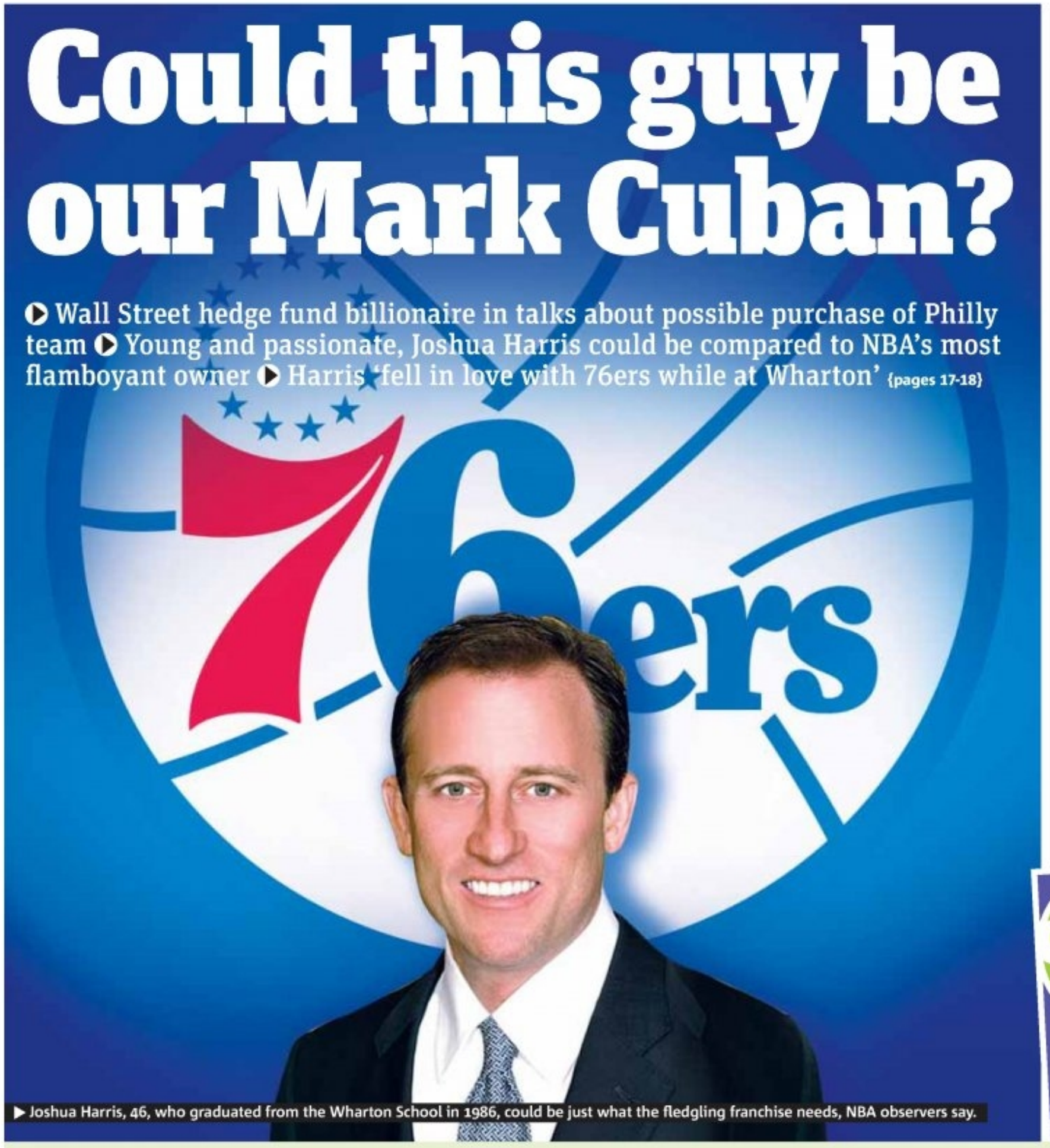
# Could this guy be our Mark Cuban?

Wall Street hedge fund billionaire in talks about possible purchase of Philly team Young and passionate, Joshua Harris could be compared to NBA's most flamboyant owner Harris 'fell in love with 76ers while at Wharton' {pages 17-18}



▶ Joshua Harris, 46, who graduated from the Wharton School in 1986, could be just what the fledgling franchise needs, NBA observers say.

News

## Nintendo reveals the new Wii U

Touch-screen controller a long way from original Wii
And the whole system's not quite as family-friendly {page 06}

## Mila Kunis says she's not sexy?

She must be blind, because you can even tell how hot she is from a tiny pic {page 09}

## Dudes get all hormonal, too

Yes, even men's bodies can make them moody {page 15}

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In the news

## Condoms in what?

The state Judicial Conduct Board filed a complaint against Harrisburg Judge Isaac Stoltzfus after he allegedly handed out acorns stuffed with condoms to two female state employees outside the Statehouse in April. The 20-year veteran judge remains on the bench.

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## Coach guilty in sex charges

**NORTHEAST PHILADELPHIA.** A volunteer girl's soccer coach pleaded guilty yesterday to sexual assault charges, the district attorney's office said.

Vincent Mickle, 34, was accused of contacting girls online, trading sexually explicit photos with them and having a sexual relationship with some of them. He pleaded guilty to solicitation to commit involuntary deviate sexual intercourse. Sentencing is Sept. 19. METRO/SDL

## Rewards in NoLibs murder

**PHILADELPHIA.** Law enforcement authorities are asking for the public's help in finding two young men in connection with a store clerk's murder last week.

Quasheam Richburg, 20, top left, and Marvell Hargrove, 17, are accused of trying to rob Trax Food Store near Front and Girard on May 26 when Richburg allegedly shot Moustafa Shaker in the head. A $2,500 reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest of Richburg, and $1,500 for Hargrove.

Anyone with information is asked to call police at 215-686-3334 or 35. METRO/SDL

## Arts protesters in Capitol

**HARRISBURG.** Some Democratic lawmakers joined arts and culture groups from across the state yesterday to protest proposed funding cuts.

The version of the budget passed by the House would reduce funding for major cultural institutions, arts and music education programs by about 70 percent. METRO

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▶ Councilman Frank Rizzo, at City Hall yesterday, thinks "Philadelphia lacks quality talk radio."

# After Council, Rizzo may go to talk radio

**Populist Republican councilman with most famous name in Philly politics gets ready for private life ◐ But how long can big personality stay out of spotlight ◐ You probably haven't heard last of Rizzo**

In the 2007 Republican council at-large primary, Frank Rizzo Jr. finished first with nearly 27 percent of the vote. Four years later, the politician with an unmatched name-recognition advantage finished seventh of nine candidates with just 8.5 percent.

It was the stunning result of an election with lackluster turnout, but it wasn't altogether unexpected for the son of a late mayor of whom there's a statue across the street from City Hall. Rizzo became one of several council names associated with the controversial DROP program. When voters turned on those who enrolled in the program and wanted to remain in power, Rizzo was the one who paid at the polls.

"I think I'll just keep my mouth shut," Rizzo said last week when asked how he'll approach Wednesday's long-awaited public hearing on bills to either eliminate or reform DROP. "I'm proud of the work I've done here, and we do have some things to keep us busy [before my term ends] so I'm not worried about 'legacy' so much."

Rizzo, who was first elected in 1995, said he's worried about how citizens will react when property revaluation bills arrive. Citing an anecdote about a resident who's paid $4,000 in taxes soon to receive a $15,000 bill, he said, "can you imagine buying a property when you don't know what you're going to pay in taxes? That's a big story that's coming up soon."

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### Rizzo radio?

As for his future plans, the ongoing councilman said he may return to radio, where he did "Rizzo to the Rescue" segments on WWDB 96.5 FM and a pair of AM stations.

"That's what Philadelphia lacks, quality talk radio. You used to be able to know what's going on in the world and city from it, but not anymore," he said. "I think I'll get back into that."

BRIAN HICKEY
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# Paid sick leave bill up for vote by Council

A bill that would require Philadelphia employers to provide workers with up to seven days of paid sick time every year could come up for a final vote in City Council tomorrow.

The legislation sponsored by Council members Darrell Clarke and Bill Greenlee was put back on the active calendar last week following several amendments made to help allay concerns by the business community. Under the proposal, larger employers would have to provide up to seven days a year, while employers with less than 10 employees would be required to give four days. Despite the changes to the original legislation, Mayor Michael Nutter still opposes the proposal. METRO/SDL

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**Meetings scheduled by Council's Committee of the Whole before summer recess begins. The last meeting is June 16.**

## Bloomberg in tussle with Comcast

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**"Bloomberg is just trying to use the order to change longstanding channel lineups to its advantage."**
FITZMAURICE

Bloomberg LP has served notice to Comcast that they intend to file a complaint with the FCC alleging Comcast is in violation of the merger conditions imposed by the FCC for Comcast's takeover of NBC six months ago. Peter T. Grauer, chairman of Bloomberg LP, accused "Comcast of thumbing its nose at the FCC's order."

Bloomberg wants its financial news channel, Bloomberg Television, "neighborhooded" — placed consecutively — with the other news channels. Gregory Babykak, manager of government relations, said, "BTV outperforms CNBC when it is placed nearby." He believes that Comcast is "foot dragging in implementing the merger conditions to avoid losing revenue."

Sena Fitzmaurice, Comcast's vice president of government relations, disagrees with Bloomberg's interpretation of a condition placed on Comcast when the FCC approved the Comcast-NBCUniversal merger.

LAURA GOLDMAN

# Comcast wins gold in first bid for TV rights to Olympics

**Cable giant beat out Disney and Fox Sports for next four ◗ Paid $4.4 billion ◗ Olympics committee noted Comcast's newest acquisition ◗ NBC has broadcast Summer Games since '88, Winter Games since '02**

**Prices for contracts**

**$2.2B**
2010 and 2012 Olympics

**$2B**
2014 and 2016 Olympics

**$2.38B**
2018 and 2020 Olympics

Comcast has won a three-way bidding contest against Walt Disney Co. and Fox Sports for television rights to the Olympic Games through 2020.

The deal secures that NBC will retain Olympics television rights by gaining the 2014 Winter Games in Sochi, Russia; the 2016 Summer Games in Rio de Janerio; and the 2018 and 2020 Games.

The deal is worth $4.38 billion. The three corporations met with members of the IOC earlier in the week to present their proposals before submitting sealed bids yesterday morning.

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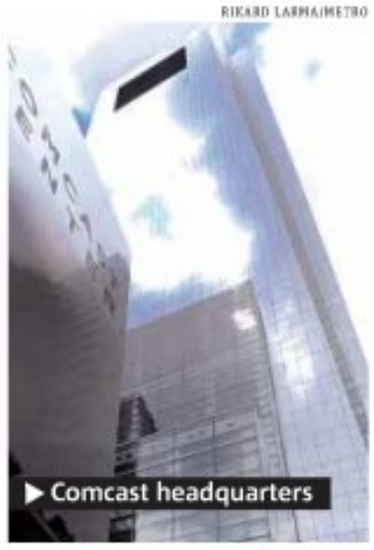

▶ Comcast headquarters

"We were blown away by the presentation," said Richard Carrion, chairman of the Olympics Finance Committee. "The passion that this team has for the Olympic Games was very impressive. They have been doing this for quite a while so they knew the values that are important to us."

Extensive live coverage was promised by Mark Lazarus, chairman of NBC Sports. He stressed that the deal included live coverage of every event on various platforms "known today and to become known."

NBC has broadcast every Summer Olympics since 1988 and every Winter Olympics since 2002.

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▶ **Gold contracts**
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## Wall Street extends its losing streak

**NEW YORK.** U.S. stocks extended a losing streak for a fifth day yesterday on mounting concerns about the economy after bearish comments from Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke. **REUTERS**

## Officials probe report of 30 bodies

**HOUSTON.** Texas authorities were investigating a report of up to 30 bodies buried in a mass grave in a rural home east of Houston, but no corpses have been found, media reported.

KPRC-TV in Houston initially reported that the Liberty County sheriff's office said 25 to 30 bodies, including children, were found outside a home. However, the station later quoted Liberty County officials as saying they had "no evidence of deceased persons" despite the earlier reports.

Local paper Cleveland Advocate said the tipster told authorities dozens of dismembered bodies were buried at the scene.

The Houston Chronicle reported that a law enforcement source said deputies were directed to the site by a psychic. **REUTERS**

# Obama's economic rating lowest ever

**About 59 percent say president not handling economy well Overall approval rating went up after bin Laden death, now down nearly 10 points**

Americans' disapproval of how President Barack Obama is handling the economy and its growing budget deficit has reached new highs amid broad frustration over the slow pace of economic recovery, according to a Washington Post-ABC News poll released yesterday.

The ratings boost Obama received after the killing of Osama bin Laden has dissipated with his job approval rating back to 47 percent. Forty-nine percent disapprove of his performance.

Obama's approval rating bounced to 56 immediately after bin Laden was killed last month.

Fifty-nine percent, a new high, gave Obama negative marks for his handling of the economy, up from 55 percent a month earlier.

Obama's approval rating on the deficit issue hit a new low of 33 percent, down six points since April.

The state of the economy poses a huge challenge for the president, whose re-election may depend on his ability to convince voters that his economic policies have been successful.

The survey reflects a broadly pessimistic public mood as high gasoline prices, sliding home values and high unemployment numbers raised concerns about the pace of the U.S. economic recovery, The Washington Post said. **REUTERS**

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### Survey says

- **89 percent** Economy is in bad shape
- **57 percent** Recovery has not started
- **66 percent** United States was seriously on the wrong track
- **45 percent** Trust congressional Republicans over Obama to handle the economy, up 11 points since March

### Goolsbee quits

**Top White House economist Austan Goolsbee said on Monday he was stepping down, marking the exit of one of President Barack Obama's top aides at a time when new signs of weakness have emerged in the economy.**

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**Venice.** Heavy rain

▶ A gondolier tries to negotiate the passage of his gondola under a bridge.

## Venice waterways: Watch your head

**So that's what happens when it rains a lot in Venice. Tourists and gondoliers have had a little trouble navigating the city's waterways after thunderstorms and heavy rain have caused an out-of-season high tide and flooding St. Mark's Square, one of the world's most famous piazzas.** METRO

# GM CEO warns on games with national debt

Politicians should not "play chicken" with the country's credit rating, but need to focus urgently on finding ways to reduce the rising budget deficit, according to the head of General Motors Co.

The battle between President Barack Obama's Democratic Party and the opposition Republicans over whether to raise the limit on government borrowing from its current $14.3 trillion level plays a dangerous game with default, Daniel Akerson, chief executive of the largest U.S. automaker, said yesterday.

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**The current national debt stands at $14.3 trillion.**

"We shouldn't underestimate that and play chicken with our national credit rating, our national honor," Akerson said at GM's first annual shareholder meeting since emerging from bankruptcy in 2009.

If the government does not raise the nation's borrowing limit by Aug. 2, the nation runs the risk of defaulting. **REUTERS**

## Tough decisions on debt

**WASHINGTON.** President Barack Obama yesterday urged euro zone countries and bondholders to make tough decisions to contain Greece's debt crisis while the International Monetary Fund said more work was needed for Athens to receive its next block of bailout aid.

Obama said the United States would be supportive, but put the onus for action on Europe and called Germany a "key leader" in resolving the crisis. **REUTERS**

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# Nintendo unveils a more serious Wii U

**New system's controller has a touch screen, camera and speakers A bit more grown up than original Wii**

**New features**

**What's the difference between the old and new systems?**

**THE CONTROLLER.** The Wii U's controller is rectangular, and has a touch screen, speakers and a camera, compared to the screen-free baton of the original Wii. "This is like something off the bridge of the Starship Enterprise," said a Wired.com gaming editor.

**MORE MATURE GAMES.** There was bloodshed during yesterday's presentation — in space, sports and warrior games. Compare that to the family-friendly Wii Fit.

Nintendo introduced its new game console, the Wii U, at the Electronic Entertainment Expo in Los Angeles yesterday. Its distinguishing feature is a unique controller that resembles a tablet computer with a built-in touch screen, speakers and a camera. Users can play games on the TV, on the controller or, in many cases, both. The Wii U goes on sale in 2012.

"It's a new structure for home entertainment," said Reggie Fils-Aime, president and COO of the company's North American division.

Although the controller resembles a mobile device

**"You can hold the controller up as a shield and catch arrows and that kind of thing."**
**CHRIS KOHLER, WIRED.COM GAMING EDITOR**

— and the Wii U itself is Internet-ready — Fils-Aime cautioned that "it was not designed to be a portable gaming machine, even though it shares some characteristics. The images displayed on the new controller are generated only by Wii U."

Files-Aime showed footage of "New Super Mario Bros. Me," in which your avatar jumps around with Mario, and "Lego City Stories," an exclusive title set in the Lego world. Other available titles will include "Batman: Arkham City," a new "Assassin's Creed" and EA Sports titles — serious games for serious gamers.

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▶ Reggie Fils-Aime, president of Nintendo America, unveils the new game console Wii U yesterday in Los Angeles.

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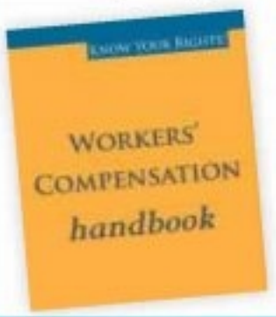


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# Gaddafi: I'll be in Libya, dead or alive

Waves of NATO aircraft hit Tripoli yesterday in the most sustained bombardment of the Libyan capital since Western forces began air strikes in March.

By yesterday afternoon, war planes were striking different parts of the city several times an hour, hour after hour, rattling windows and sending clouds of gray smoke into the sky, a Reuters correspondent in the center of the city said.

U.S. President Barack Obama said it's only a matter of time until the Libyan leader goes. But Muammar Gaddafi vowed to fight to the death.

"We only have one choice," Gaddafi said in a fiery audio address. "We will stay in our land dead or alive." He called on his supporters to flock to his vast Bab al-Aziziya compound, which was hit several times by NATO air strikes yesterday. REUTERS

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**Gaddafi said he was ready to unleash between 250,000 and 500,000 armed Libyans to swarm the country and cleanse it from "armed gangs" — the rebels controlling eastern Libya.**

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**Energy.** Safety

▶ Italian antinuclear activists look on from atop a giant replica of a waste barrel in front of San Peter's cupola in downtown Rome's Pincio yesterday.

## Nuclear caution urged

**Government ministers and officials from nearly 30 nuclear energy producing countries called yesterday for safety tests on all reactors after the disaster at Japan's Fukushima plant sparked concern over standards.** REUTERS

# Yemen ruler's injury may be more serious

**SANAA.** Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh's injuries from a rocket attack on his palace at the weekend were more serious than previously reported, a Yemeni official said, raising further questions about his rule.

Saleh's vice president was initially quoted as saying the president would return to Yemen within days from Saudi Arabia where he is being treated.

But a Yemeni official reiterated comments by a U.S. official, saying Saleh was in a more serious condition with burns over roughly 40 percent of his body.

Approximately 4,000 demonstrators in Sanaa, who have been calling for Saleh to step down for five months, called for him to stay in Saudi Arabia. REUTERS

**Quoted**

**"The era of Saleh has ended."**
YOUTH ACTIVIST OMAR AL-QUDSI

## US, Pakistan differ on death

**LONDON.** U.S. and Pakistani officials disagree sharply over claims that senior al Qaeda leader Ilyas Kashmiri was killed in a recent missile strike, suggesting strains persist between the often-uneasy allies.

Intelligence officials in Pakistan said that Kashmiri was killed by a missile fired from a U.S. drone aircraft. But U.S. officials familiar with counterterrorism activities in the region said they were unable to confirm Kashmiri's death. REUTERS

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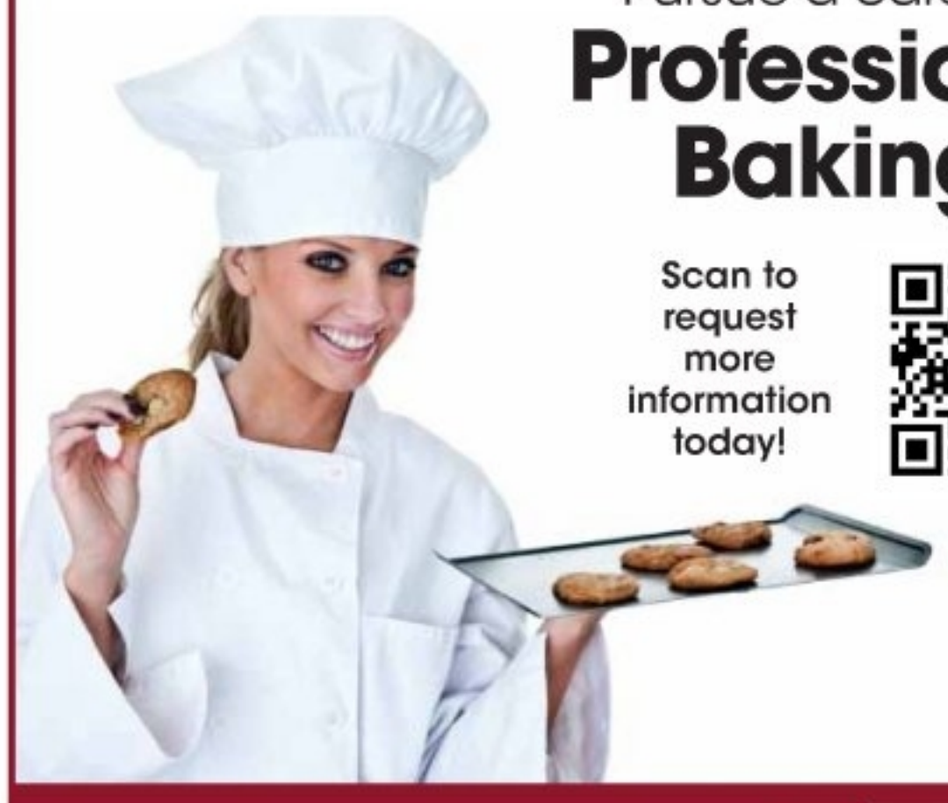
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**Celeb.** Sighting

▶ The ladies hit the road.

## Taylor and Twain: Takin' off in a Thunderbird

**Singer-songwriters Taylor Swift and Shania Twain recreated a scene from "Thelma & Louise" on Monday in Tennessee for the CMT Music Awards, airing tonight at 8 on CMT. Don't worry — I have a feeling the ending isn't the same.**

## Diaz and Rodriguez defy the rumors

**Cameron Diaz** is being all, "In your face, tabloids! I still have my yummy piece of arm candy," and denying reports that she and **Alex Rodriguez** have split up. The pair have been acting very much like a couple around L.A. recently, hitting up parties for the MTV Movie Awards and the NBA Finals looking "very affectionate," sources tell Us Weekly. Even People reports that the two are so not-broken-up, they're looking for a house together in Miami. As for dealing with reports about her love life, Diaz shrugs it off: "If I want to read gossip, I read about somebody else's life. I can't worry about what other people say," she tells Extra. "It's fine to say whatever you want as long as you actually don't know what's going on in my life."

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Diaz

## Josh Duhamel soaps up again

**Josh Duhamel** hasn't forgotten where he comes from — the actor is going to make a cameo on his former soap, ABC's "All My Children," before it goes off the air in September. He'll be reprising his awesome character of Leo du Pres, a con man who was presumed dead thanks to a waterfall accident (note: soap plot lines are the best). "Everyone at 'All My Children' is thrilled and excited to welcome Josh back to Pine Valley," "AMC" executive producer **Julie Carruthers** said in a statement. "The appearance of Leo is sure to be one the highlights of the season."

As long as Duhamel's not wearing a shirt while reprising his role, I totally agree with her.

▶ Duhamel

## Talking points

## Kate Hudson's baby shower

**Kate Hudson** is one step closer to becoming a mom again, celebrating with a baby shower at a private home in Malibu recently, with the guest list including **Rachel Zoe**, **Courteney Cox** and **Jessica Capshaw**, according to People magazine. "[Kate] looked amazing and kept giggling while mingling with friends, nibbling on food and playing games. She seemed to have the best time," a source says of the soiree. With the gender of the baby still a mystery, guests lavished Hudson with "gender-neutral baby items," according to the source.

▶ Hudson

## What's up with ScarJo & Penn?

Though **Scarlett Johansson** and **Sean Penn** have put their relationship to rest, they were spotted hanging out together recently backstage at Spike TV's Guys Choice Awards, according to Popeater, though it's apparently no surprise. "If you remember after Scarlett confirmed her split from **Ryan [Reynolds]**, the two continued to see each other and have dinner together," a friend of the actress says. "Just because you are no longer with someone doesn't mean you stop caring about them and never want to see them again."

Kunis

## Mila Kunis must be blind

**Mila Kunis** doesn't exactly agree with the idea that she's a sex symbol, according to L.A. Confidential magazine. "I'm flattered, but I'm not that person," the former "That 70s Show" star says. "**Sophia Loren** is a sex symbol. If watching TiVo and eating Pinkberry in sweatpants is sexy, then I'm your gal."

## The feed ...

▶ **Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.**

"Lost" creator Damon Lindelof isn't impressed with January Jones, Piers Morgan is getting a kick out of current events, Nicole Richie is feeling left out and Seth MacFarlane is planning for the future.

▶ **@DamonLindelof**
Emma Frost's THREE mutant powers: Telepathy, Transformation to Solid Diamond and last but not least, Sucking at Acting.

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When society collapses, who do I talk to about being killed last?

Nicole Richie

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# Philly gets out of the gallery

## The second annual Art in the Open festival brings more than 40 artists to the Schuylkill riverbanks

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Art in the Open takes it to the river this week.

Artist Nancy Agati is used to working out in the open. Her drawings are made not with ink on paper but with natural elements on walls or landscapes. For the past two months, she's been collecting invasive vines from roadsides and wooded areas around Philadelphia, preparing to create her contribution to the second annual Art in the Open festival.

Inaugurated last summer, AiO lines the Schuylkill riverbanks from Fairmount Water Works to Bartram's Garden with artists creating out of the studio and in plain view of passersby. Inspired by plein air painting, the festival expands the concept to include sculpture, photography, dance, installation and other forms. This year, more than 40 artists will participate — more than half of them from the Philadelphia area.

Agati, who will create a drawing with her gathered vines against the backdrop of the city skyline, is eager to return after participating last year. "Art in the Open is a great opportunity to work on project ideas that have been rolling around in my head, but that do not necessarily fit into a traditional gallery or exhibition format," she says. "After last year's event, I came away excited by the input and participation of the public, which has a genuine interest in the process of the work."

**Quoted**

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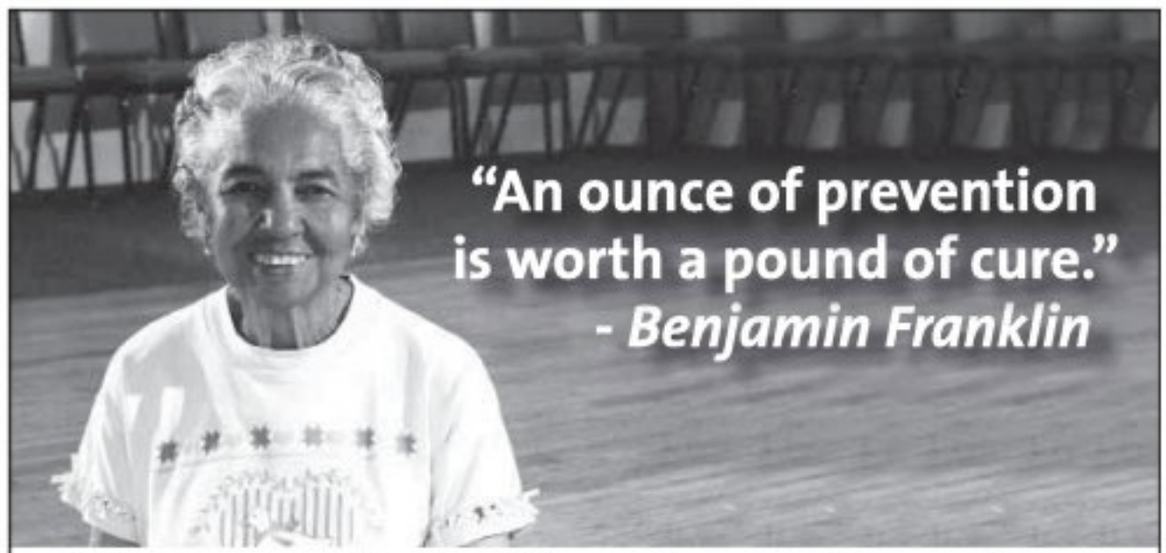

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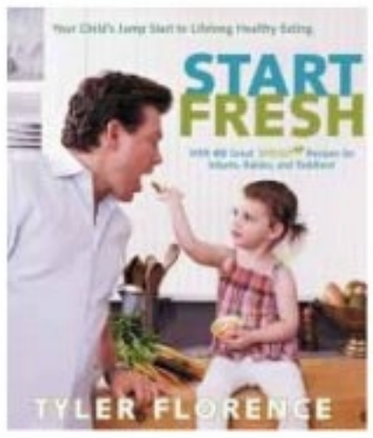


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"There is a lot to be said for making food for your child from fresh, whole foods and having them be aware of that from an early age," Florence says. "And it's much simpler than most people think — no fancy equipment, minimal time ... so it's not like you're chained to a stove."

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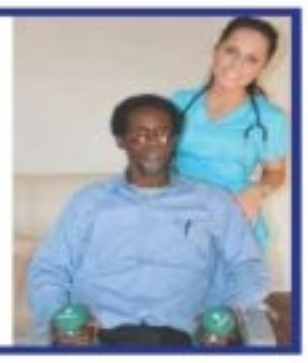

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# Fierce, as always

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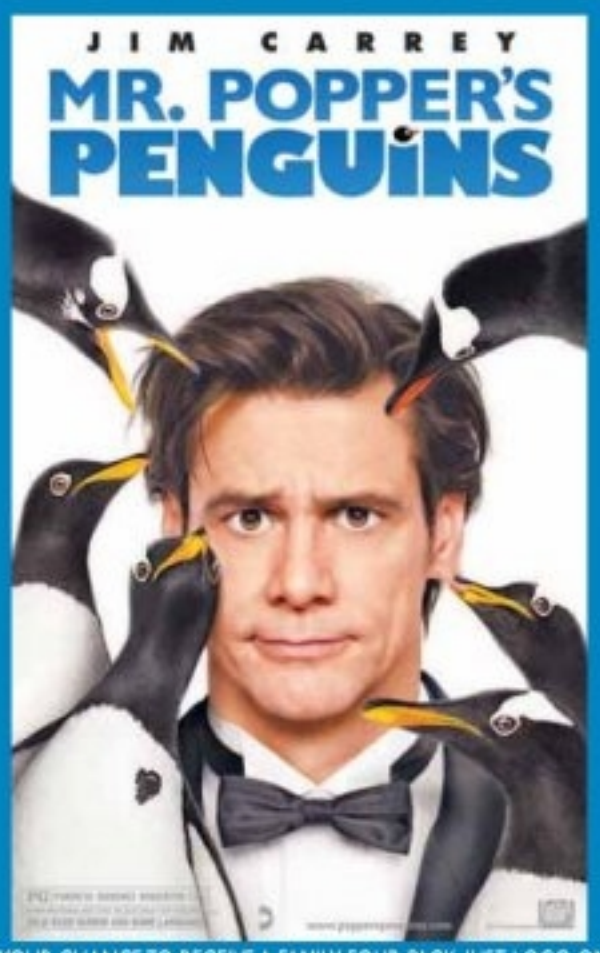
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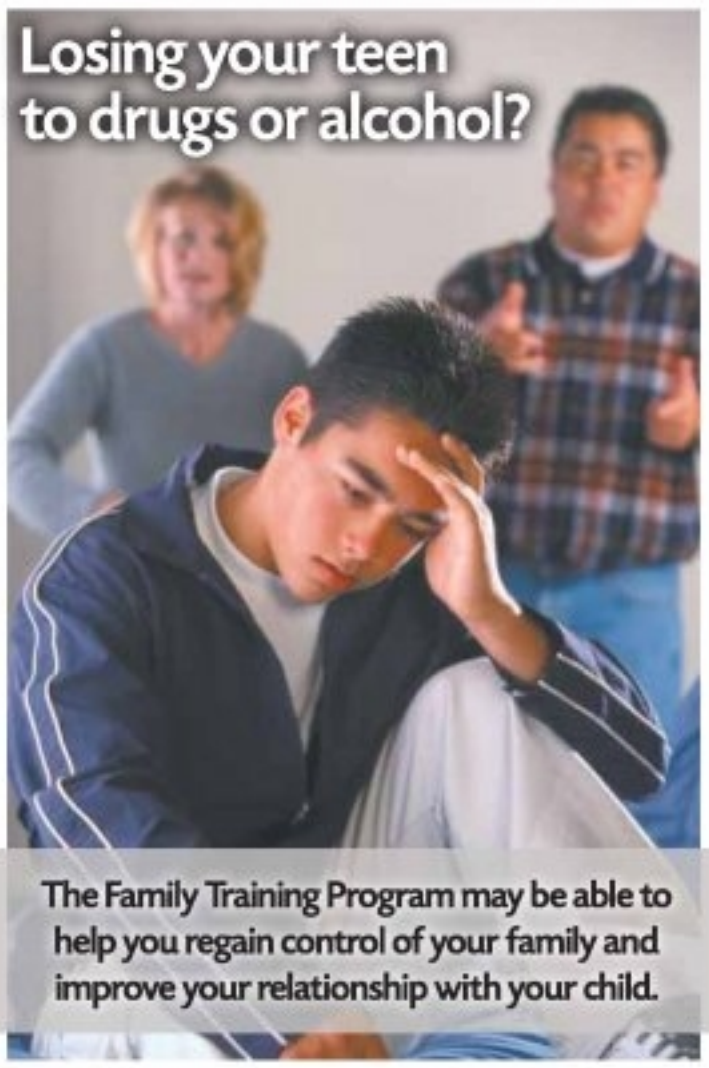
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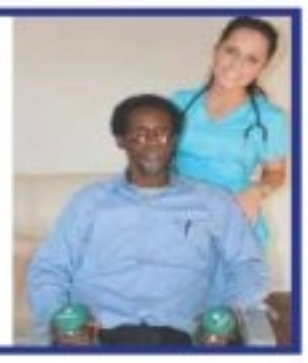



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# Hormones aren't only a female issue

## Men's bodies can make them 'erratic and moody,' too (we knew it!)

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▶ June is Men's Health Month, and one area that's often overlooked is hormonal function.

When Dr. Eric Braverman says men's testicles are attached to their brains, he isn't admonishing his fellow sex. Testosterone, the male sex hormone, is regulated by the brain — which monitors blood levels and initiates a chain reaction to produce more or less of it.

"Men have greater hormonal swings on a year-to-year basis than women. They have more periodic changes that they usually ignore, and then they become more erratic and moody," says Braverman, an integrative medicine specialist and the author of "Younger (Sexier) You."

An imbalance of testosterone can result in depression, abdominal weight gain or prostate and heart disease — oh, and that much-advertised loss of libido, too. Braverman lists several behaviors as destructive to hormonal stability, but smoking pot and excessive alcohol use sit at the top of the "Don't Do" list, he says.

It isn't just testosterone that needs to be in balance, though. Increased anxiety and aggression triggers excessive amounts of the stress hormones cortisol and adrenaline, which wear on the body and mind.

Keeping hormone production stable starts with that much-touted trinity of health: sleep, diet and exercise. "Men have to master those cornerstones to be stable and happy," Braverman says.

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### Attitude is crucial

**If there's one thing that men should do, Braverman says, it's admit to mistakes — thus lessening guilt and anxiety, plus creating an environment for better sleep and healthier habits.**

"Men don't like to admit their mistakes. But we learn from mistakes, and learning and growing is crucial. It leads to better relationships and a better shot at stability."

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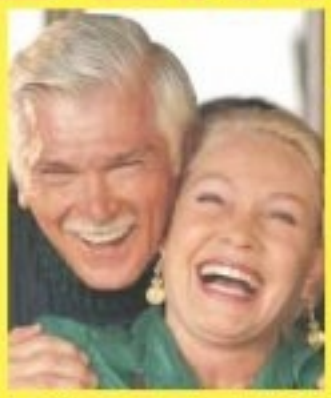

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### Junk mail case not a big joke

Hey, Weiner, cheer up! The wurst is yet to come!
HERB STARK, VIA E-MAIL

It's funny that when men behave badly there are always male professionals calling it a "disorder." But when females are caught out, they don't get to wear the disorder label; they are called nasty derogative names that I refuse to repeat. Bottom line: Weiner, like a lot of other males, is a scumbag who disrespected his wife and family by messing around online with women.
CYNTHIA KING, VIA E-MAIL

### On Obama and the economy

RE: "WHEN IS OBAMA RESPONSIBLE?": Mr. Cancelmo should look up the definition of "inherited." Like it or not, the state of the economy when Obama took office was due solely to the decisions of his predecessor; campaign pledges have no relevance to this fact. One can argue he should have done a better job the past two years, but to say he didn't inherit a mess is foolish.
JOSEPH CONNELL, VIA E-MAIL

Obama may have inherited an economic recession but it is his administration whose fiscal and monetary policies have prolonged the recession and quite possibly taken us into a double-dip recession. When government gets involved it prolongs and deepens the hardship. It's no coincidence the Great Depression lasted a decade when it was the first depression in U.S. history to witness gigantic intervention by the federal government.
KELLY DONNOE, VIA E-MAIL

Claiming facts without sources completely destroys your argument. D. Cancelmo writes: "No other president ... [has] ever blamed their predecessor for their predicament as has this one." I cannot find any recent quotes by the administration about this at all, except for quotes people have pretended were said.
MICHAEL LAM, VIA E-MAIL

### Reality vs. actuality

In reality, the sky is blue; in actuality, it's not. In reality, snow is white; in actuality, it's not. To discern reality from actuality, you need a high degree of intelligence and understanding. Unfortunately, the American populace lacks both. We allow ourselves to be conditioned by ideology spewed from unscrupulous politicians. This is our reality and it's a terrible illusion.
RICH BRITTLE SR., VIA E-MAIL

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## Horoscope

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Just when things look the darkest where your career is concerned, you may discover the key to success. Be alert, however, because it could be disguised or camouflaged.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Don't take lightly an offer a friend makes to you. It might be just the ticket you need gain access to people who could be of tremendous help to you.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** A situation you thought was nothing but trouble might be the very thing that brings you success. If you let it, it could yield more extensive benefits than you thought possible.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Conditions are favorable for cementing bonds with someone you recently met who gave the impression that they didn't think much of you.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Chance is likely to play a critical role in fulfilling a material desire that you've been nurturing for some time, and that you didn't think you could achieve. Be on your toes.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** It behooves you to be extra nice to someone whom you think has a few screws missing. Something quite fortunate could happen with them.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** It's possible for you to experience cooperation in those very areas where you recently encountered resistance. Don't question it — just ride the tide.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Although you don't think you need others to accomplish your aims, you're likely to function far more effectively in a group.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** For some strange reason, you could let challenging developments intimidate you unnecessarily. Fortunately, it won't take long for you to realize you're the master of events.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Don't hesitate to bring someone in on an endeavor you haven't been able to totally develop on your own, especially if you believe this person has knowledge you lack.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** An infusion of fresh hope could turn around an unpleasant financial matter that has caused you some anxiety lately. It's likely to come about through an unexpected conduit.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** If you're having some difficulty attempting to do something on your own, don't hesitate to ask a co-worker or a friend to lend you a hand. It'll turn out that each party will bring luck to the other.
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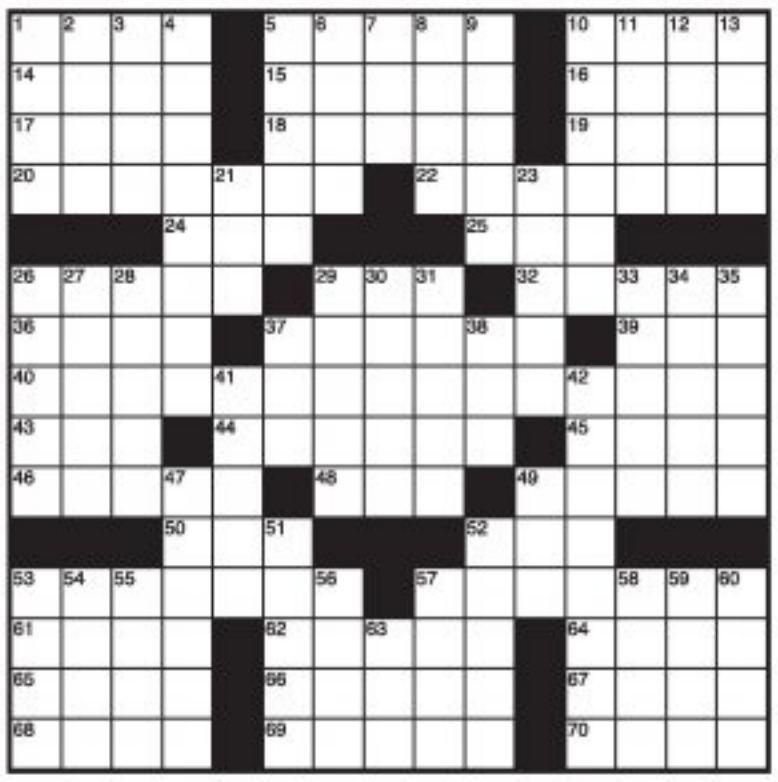

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# Youth movement starting at the top

**Potential new Sixers owner could give franchise 'Croce-like shot in the arm' Harris drawing comparisons to Cuban Discussions still ongoing**

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▶ New, younger ownership might put more Sixers fans in the seats — if the team is sold to Joshua Harris' group.

Wharton alumnus Joshua Harris might renew some fans' interest in the Sixers, according to sports industry observers. But friends of the man listed as the 332nd wealthiest American by Forbes say he likely won't be as hands-on and flamboyant as someone like tech bubble billionaire and Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban.

Still, new, younger and rich, the Harris-led group could have big effects on the franchise — if they do indeed purchase the team.

"You've got two guys with connections to Philly that were both Wharton undergrads and clearly you would think both have a love for sports that would lead them down this path," said professor Scott Rosner of the Wharton Sports Business Initiative about the 46-year-old Harris and his partners, which include fellow Whartonite David Blitzer. "Having a younger owner could give the team a shot in the arm in the Pat Croce-like enthusiastic approach."

One partner of Harris' at his Wall Street hedge fund, Apollo Management, described the globe-trotting financier as still very much interested in continuing the business of buying and selling companies.

"Harris will be an excellent owner. He knows how to manage, motivate and delegate. Harris has delivered remarkable results from properties that I thought were dead," he said. "Will he be like Cuban? Not unless he is Superman. He carries a full workload here and he has not told us that he has plans to change that."

The partner, who asked not to be named, added that Harris would not buy the NBA franchise unless he got a good deal for it.

**ALEX WIGGLESWORTH** and **LAURA GOLDMAN**

## Timeline

**A look at Sixers ownership:**

- **Yesterday**
  "Imminent" deal to sell team to Harris-led group
- **April 24, 1996**
  Comcast-Spectacor buys team from Katz
- **July 1981**
  Harold Katz purchases Sixers from Fitz Dixon
- **May 1963**
  Ike Richman/Irv Kosloff move team from Syracuse to Philadelphia

## Tale of the tape

**Joshua Harris** vs. **Mark Cuban**

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| $1.5 billion | Net worth | $2.5 billion |
| Leveraged buyouts; buying and selling companies | How he made money | TV, software mogul; During tech bubble of late 1990s |
| Apollo Management | Company | Broadcast.com |
| Friends say Harris became big fan of Sixers while at Penn | Interest in NBA | Most flamboyant owner in NBA; starts Twitter wars with opposing players |

## What they're saying

**"The young, enthusiastic team-loving owner can be a blessing and it can also be a curse. But I would say it's more likely that it'll help than hurt. It's always good to get an infusion of new blood and excitement into an organization."**
PROFESSOR N. JEREMI DURU OF TEMPLE LAW, NOTING THAT AN AVID FAN-OWNER SOMETIMES LACKS THE PERSPECTIVE TO MAKE OBJECTIVE DECISIONS

**"Harris fell in love with the Sixers when he attended the Wharton School for college."**
A FORMER CO-WORKER OF HARRIS' AT NOW-DEFUNCT EQUITY FIRM DREXEL BURNHAM LAMBERT

## Bone to pick

**J-Roll could be headed to DL**

The Phillies say Jimmy Rollins might be landing on the DL in the next day or two.

But don't tell that to Rollins, who told reporters: "If I go on the DL, it's purely because they made a bad decision."

The shortstop underwent an MRI, which revealed a deep bone bruise. If he does go on the DL, the team will likely recall utility infielder Pete Orr.

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# Sixers throw up 'For Sale' signs in a hurry

**City's basketball franchise expected to be sold to Wall Street investors**
**Team ranked 25th in attendance in 2011 Losing millions per season**

Commissioner David Stern said 22 of the NBA's 30 teams are losing money. One of those teams may be getting new owners.

As first reported by ESPN.com, the company that owns the Sixers — Comcast-Spectacor — is in talks to sell the team to a group of Wall Street investors. Yesterday, Comcast-Spectacor president Peter Luukko released this statement:

"I can confirm that we are in discussions about the future of the team, but these discussions are confidential and we cannot talk about the details. At some point, we may have something more to say about these discussions, but we will not be making any comments at this point."

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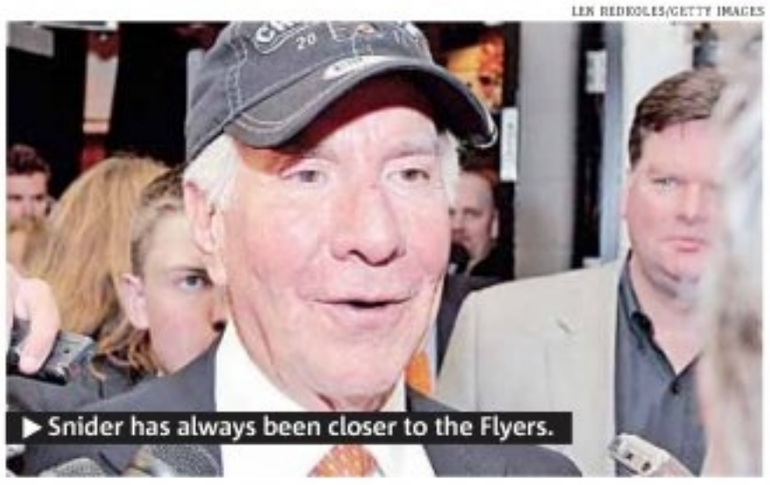

Snider has always been closer to the Flyers.

The Wall Street group is led by Joshua Harris. According to Forbes, Harris is worth $1.5 billion. Forbes valued the Sixers at $330 million in January 2011.

The Sixers ranked 25th in the NBA in attendance this past season, 26th in 2010 and 23rd in 2009. Meanwhile, they ranked 14th in player salaries at $68.2 million. Two years ago, a source told Metro that the Sixers were losing $20 million per season.

Comcast-Spectacor owner Ed Snider has long had a reputation for being closer to the Flyers, and sale rumors have been popping up in recent years.

According to ESPN, a deal is "imminent." But the new ownership would have to be approved by the NBA's Board of Governors. The deal wouldn't affect the Sixers' day-to-day basketball operations.

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**NBA hot stove**

## Iguodala for Ellis swap?

Andre Iguodala has long been the subject of trade rumors. Perhaps only Monta Ellis can rival him in that category.

So it only makes sense that the two are now linked. According to ESPN's Ric Bucher, the Sixers and Warriors are in discussions to swap their two stars.

The Warriors are looking to break up their defensively challenged, tiny backcourt of Ellis and Steph Curry while Iguodala may have worn out his welcome in Philadelphia. A straight Iguodala for Ellis swap would save the Sixers $9 million over the next three years and give them an elite scorer at two-guard. The move would also free up small forward minutes for both Evan Turner and Thaddeus Young.

"My thing is just, things happen," Iguodala said yesterday when asked about the rumor on the Scott Van Pelt Show. "Let it happen and then react to it. It's too early for me to put anything into it."

There's nothing close here, but with the June 23 draft approaching things are heating up.

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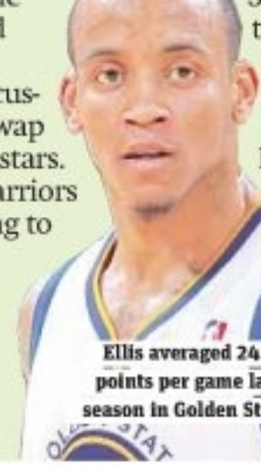

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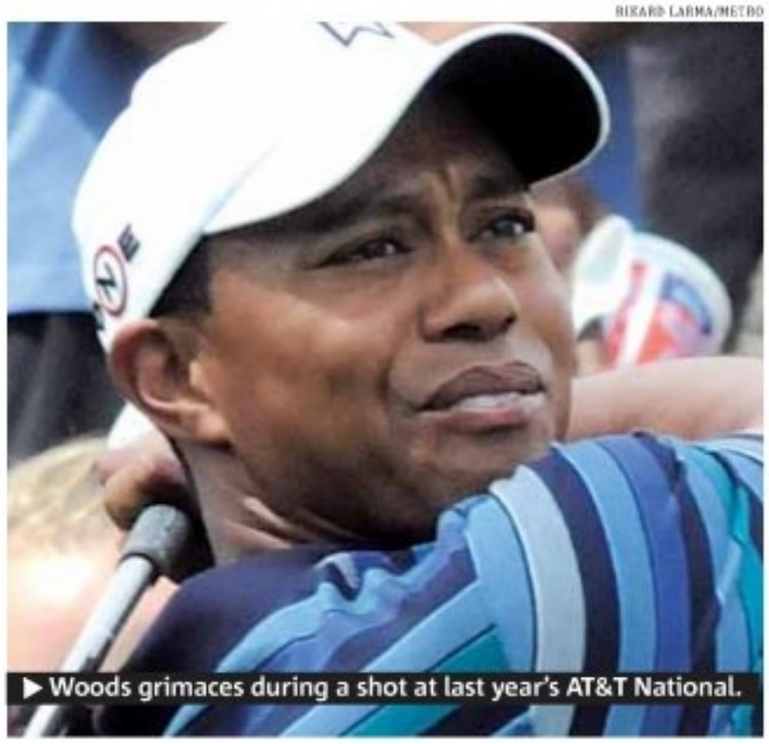

▶ Woods grimaces during a shot at last year's AT&T National.

# Woods skipping Open, but hopeful for AT&T

**Former world No. 1 not fully healed from leg injuries ◐ Majors drought will hit career-high 12 ◐ Tiger 'hopes to be ready' for Aronimink tourney**

Tiger Woods won't be playing in next week's U.S. Open. While that may be sad news for the rest of the golf world, it could be good news for Philadelphia.

Woods said he intends to play at the AT&T National, which starts June 30 at Aronimink Golf Club.

"I am extremely disappointed that I won't be playing in the U.S. Open, but it's time for me to listen to my doctors and focus on the future," Woods said yesterday on his website. "I was hopeful that I could play, but if I did, I risk further damage to my left leg. My knee and Achilles tendon are not fully healed. I hope to be ready for AT&T National, the next two majors and the rest of the year."

Woods left the Masters after spraining his left knee and Achilles tendon. Last month, he withdrew after nine holes at the Players Championship after reinjuring his leg. ● METRO

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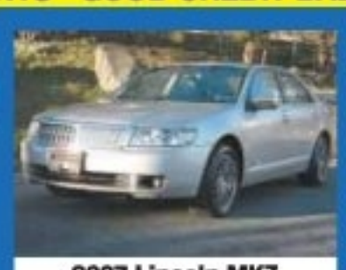

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**L.A. Dodgers at Phillies, 7:05 p.m. (CSN)**

# Flash forward: Gordon's son debuts for Dodgers

**Former Phillies closer in attendance, throws batting practice Dee gets first major league start Tom takes credit for son's blazing speed**

Charlie Manuel doesn't need any pitching help. However, he couldn't help but ask former closer Tom Gordon to toss batting practice yesterday.

"Chuck, I can still do it," Gordon said while laughing as Ryan Howard took some rips. "I just can't give you no innings."

After pitching more than 2,100 innings over his 21-year career, which ended in 2009, Gordon is done with playing. The 43-year-old has passed the baton to his son, Dee.

The 23-year-old made his debut for the Dodgers Monday night as a pinch-runner. He wound up scoring the only run for L.A.

The fleet shortstop made his first start last night, leading off for L.A. against Roy Oswalt.

"It couldn't have worked out better," Gordon said. "I'm very excited about [last night]."

That was evident as Gordon waved frenetically from the Phillies' broadcast booth attempting to get his son's attention during batting practice.

**22 Stolen bases for Dee in Class AAA before being called up. He swiped 53 last year in Class AA and 73 the year before in Class A.**

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▶ Dee Gordon

"I'm glad it worked out for him," Gordon said. "It wasn't a certainty that he would play baseball."

Basketball was Dee's sport until 2007, when he decided to follow in his father's footsteps. Gordon, known as "Flash" during his playing days, claims his kid inherited his speed.

"I could move when I was his age," Gordon said. "I told someone he got his speed from me [Monday] night [while sitting in the row behind the Dodgers dugout.) But some fan said, 'No, we saw your act.'"

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### Mayweather to fight Ortiz

The wait is over for Floyd Mayweather Jr.

The five-division champion boxer will end a 16-month layoff when he returns to the ring against Victor Ortiz. The WBC welterweight title will be on the line when the two fighters meet Sept. 17. METRO

**"He's the quarterback? I'm just asking."**

Michael Crabtree, when told Alex Smith was the 49ers' starting QB. METRO

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One day after a blindside hit shelved Boston forward Nathan Horton, the NHL handed down a four-game suspension to Aaron Rome. The Canucks' defenseman applied the shoulder-to-head hit on a puck-less Horton in Game 3 and was assessed a five-minute major and game misconduct. Horton will miss the rest of the Stanley Cup finals with a severe concussion.

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"Two factors were considered in reaching this decision," NHL senior vice president of hockey operations Mike Murphy said in a statement. "The hit by Rome was clearly beyond what is acceptable in terms of how late it was delivered after Horton had released the puck and it caused a significant injury."

Horton is tied for second on the Bruins in scoring this postseason with 17 total points (eight goals, nine assists).

Meanwhile, Rome's suspension will carry over to the beginning of the 2011-12 season, if the finals end before Game 7. METRO

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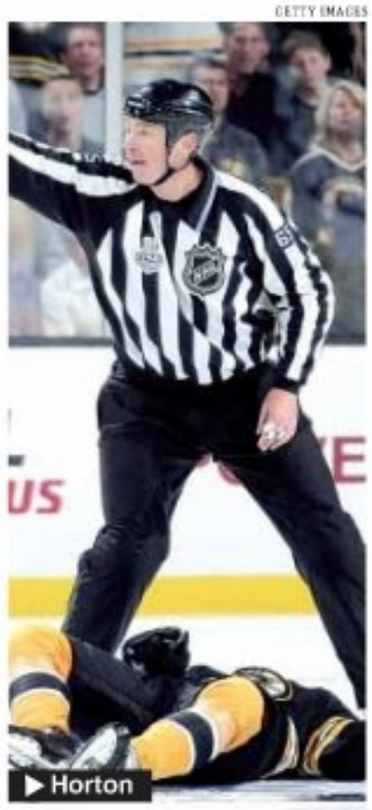

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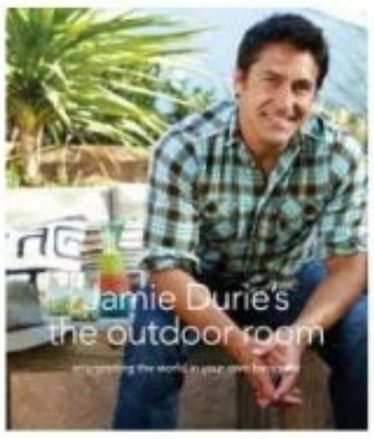


# Eating out in style

FROM "THE OUTDOOR ROOM"

Those rusty beach chairs and moldy tiki torches have no place on your patio ◗ Jamie Durie on 'The Outdoor Room'

It's a familiar house tour: The carefully curated living room. The elegant dining room. The rustically modern kitchen. And then the back patio crammed with over-sized plastic furniture, a rusty grill and a suspicious cooler that hasn't been opened since last August.

Jamie Durie's new book, "The Outdoor Room," argues for a more thoughtful approach to outside spaces. We caught up with the horticulturalist and HGTV host for some tips.

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## Have a plan

Before you start, know what you want. Even the tiniest outdoor space has fine-dining potential — if that's what you're looking for. "The best place to start is to ask yourself what you want to do in your outdoor room," says Durie. "Will you be entertaining or relaxing — or both? Do you need a formal dining setting, or will a casual modular lounge be more appropriate?"

## Say no to plastic

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That photo to the left? It's of Durie's own backyard. If you're also working with more than a Weber budget, follow his lead and splurge on the grill. "I love integrated barbecues that fit into the cooking surface of your outdoor kitchen with a complete linear design," he says.

If you're in the market for a more modest appliance, just ask yourself: What would Guy Fieri not do?

## Put your garden to work

Blooms are always nice, but remember to include some functional greenery near your grill. "Think about installing a vertical garden wall close by, planted with assorted herbs," Durie says. "While you cook, you can just reach out and pluck fresh herbs straight out of the garden to toss on the sizzling food or use as ultra-fresh garnishes for serving."

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